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Man Found Guilty of Attempted Murder, Assault During 2017 SWAT Shootout

A gang member has been convicted of trying to kill SWAT officers during a shootout two years ago, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Jurors found Jose Rauda (dob 4/4/83) guilty of 12 counts of attempted murder, 19 counts of assault with a firearm upon a peace officer, four counts of assault with a firearm and one count each of assault of a police animal, shooting at an occupied vehicle and possession of a firearm by a felon.

He faces 468 years to life in state prison when he is scheduled to be sentenced on Oct. 17.

Deputy District Attorney David Ayvazian of the Crimes Against Peace Officers Section prosecuted the case.

On June 15, 2017, police were about to start a probation search in the 400 block of East 49th Street, when gunfire erupted from inside a house. Several officers returned fire and Rauda was seen running from the home. No one was wounded.

After trying to locate Rauda for about two hours, he was hiding in a trash can in a backyard. A police dog was sent to investigate and was shot once in the hind leg.

Rauda escaped before police arrived and he was found hours later hiding in a laundry room behind a nearby house. SWAT officers responded and Rauda opened fire, striking an officer in the front portion of his helmet. Another shootout ensued but no one was injured by the gunfire.

Rauda eventually surrendered to police.

Case BA458353 was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department.

About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.